

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

HAMPDEN, ss.

TOWN OF MONSON

## SPECIAL TOWN WARRANT

To any of the Constables of the Town of Monson in said county:

## GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Monson qualified to vote in Elections and Town affairs to meet in the Granite Valley Middle School on Thompson Street on Monday, November 26, 2012, A.D. at 7:00 p.m. to act upon the following articles:

**Article 1:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer and appropriate a sum of money from available funds to the Fiscal Year 2013 Fire Department Salary Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 2:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer and appropriate a sum of money from available funds to the Fiscal Year 2013 Police Department Salary Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 3:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer and appropriate a sum of money from available funds to the Fiscal Year 2013 School Department Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 4:**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate a sum of money from the Employees' Health Insurance – Town Share Account to the Fiscal Year 2013 School Department Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 5:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer and appropriate a sum of money from available funds to the Fiscal Year 2013 Blanket Insurance Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 6:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer and appropriate a sum of money from available funds to the Fiscal Year 2013 Highway Emergency Road Repairs Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 7:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer and appropriate a sum of money from available funds to purchase a community notification system for emergency, extreme weather, and other notices, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 8:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer and appropriate a sum of money from available funds to the Fiscal Year 2013 Capital Expenditures Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 9:**

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the remaining two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) debt for energy conservation projects previously authorized by approval of Article 18 of the Annual Town Meeting warrant held on May 12, 2008, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 10:**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the borrowing of up to five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for capital projects, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 11:**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate a sum of money from the Fund Balance Reserved for High School Construction to the High School Construction Debt Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 12:**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate a sum of money from available funds to the Fund Balance Reserved for High School Debt Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 13:**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate a sum of money from the Water Enterprise Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2013 Water Department Expense Account for the cleaning and rehabilitation of the Bunyan Road Well and for the purchase and updating of a Geographic Information System (GIS) electronic mapping program, or take any other action

relative thereto.

#### **Article 14:**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate a sum of money from the Sewer Enterprise Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2013 Sewer Department Expense Account for the purchase and updating of a Geographic Information System (GIS) electronic mapping program, or take any other action relative thereto.

#### **Article 15:**

To see if the Town will vote to adjust the factors for the Property Tax Exemption for senior citizens under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 41C as amended by Chapter 184 Section 51 of the Acts of 2002, as follows: (i) by increasing the maximum income, if single, to eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000); (ii) by increasing the maximum income, if married, to twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000) (iii) by increasing the total maximum assets, if single, to thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) and (iv) increasing the total maximum assets, if married, to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) or take any other action relative thereto.

#### **Article 16:**

To see if the Town will vote to rescind its vote of Article 34 at the Annual Town Meeting held May 13, 1996; said article read:

*to accept Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, Section 58, in any city or town that accepts the provisions of this section, on all property taxes assessed in a city or town and collected by a city or town tax collector, discounts for the early and full payment thereof shall be three per cent if the taxpayer pays the entire tax bill for the fiscal year in which said bill is due by November first or within thirty days if the bill for such tax was mailed later than October first.*

*In any city or town that accepts the provisions of this section and that has adopted the provisions of section 57C, the discount for early and full payment of the tax bill shall be three percent if the taxpayer pays the entire tax bill for the fiscal year in which said tax is due, notwithstanding any provisions of said section 57C, by August first or within thirty days if the tax bill was mailed later than July first. In the event that it is determined at the end of the fiscal year that a taxpayer, who has exercised this option, has overpaid his tax for said fiscal year, the tax bill for the next fiscal year for said taxpayer shall be reduced by the amount that was determined to have been overpaid in the previous fiscal year.*

Or take any other action relative thereto.

#### **Article 17:**

To see if the Town will vote to modify its Zoning Bylaws by adding the following new sentence to end Section 3.3.8 (1), and further that non-substantive changes to the lettering and number be authorized to be consistent with the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Monson:

Notwithstanding the previous sentence, a nonconforming structure destroyed or partially destroyed so as to be unable to be used by the June 1, 2011 F-3 tornado may apply for a Special Permit by the Planning Board to extend for up to one (1) year the timeframe to reconstruct said premises for a total of up to three (3) years. However, no Special Permit under this sentence shall be granted beyond June 2, 2014,

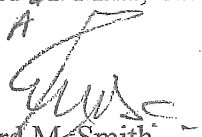
Or take any other action relative thereto.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 7<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2012.



Edward M. Maia, Chairman



Richard M. Smith



Edward S. Harrison

MONSON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

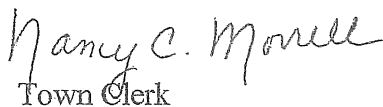
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Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the legal voters of the Town of Monson by posting an attested copy of said Warrant in at least two places in said Monson fourteen days at least before the time appointed for holding the meeting aforesaid.

A true copy,  
ATTEST:

  
Constable of Monson  
Town Clerk

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